

Miller Arts Scholars Artist Minigrant Application

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Project Title

Continuing film production

The nature of the research and the need for support

For my Advanced Cinematography class, we have been assigned to create two short films as a final project. Last May, I received the rising Fourth Year Award, which I used to purchase an Adobe Creative Cloud membership. It is about to expire, and I would love to use the minigrant to renew my subscription in order to keep editing my films. Furthermore, I would like to get a new battery and charger for the DSLR camera I purchased with the previous award so that I can have longer filming sessions without my battery running out. I also would like to purchase a monopod, which will allow me to capture different shots than on the tripod that I currently own, while still remaining stable. In my two final films, I would like to include high quality audio, and therefore would like to purchase a Rode Shotgun Microphone to attach to the camera. Finally, I want to purchase an additional external hard drive so that I can back-up all of my films and video/audio files. While all of this equipment brings me over budget by ~\$40, I have enough of my own money to cover the overage. Receiving the grant to buy this equipment would allow me to create two final films for my cinematography class that will have a professional quality, and I would be excited to add these two films to my artistic portfolio.

Time schedule for completion

The final films for my class are due on Friday, May 13, and all of the equipment I would like to purchase is available on Amazon. I have an Amazon Prime membership, so I would be able to have everything delivered within 2 days of receiving the minigrant. My production schedule would be as follows:

May 1-4: Plan and storyboard for both short films

May 5-6: Shoot first short film

May 7-8: Edit and finalize first short film

May 9-10: Shoot second short film

May 11-12: Edit and finalize second short film

May 13: Both films complete and ready to show

Detailed budget

Replacement Battery + Charger for Canon EOS 70D	\$30
Manfrotto MMCOMPACT-BK Compact Monopod	\$35
Rode Videomic Shotgun Microphone with Rycote Lyre Mount	\$150
Adobe Creative Cloud 1 Year Membership	\$240
WD Elements 2TB USB 3.0 Portable Hard Drive	\$85
TOTAL = \$540	